

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 12, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1905, Chapter 8, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the time when the answer in case of citation by publication shall be filed,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
RUSSELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. J. R. No. 13, Proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county, and authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem district tax not to exceed \$1.00 on the \$100 valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the district,

And find the same correctly engrossed.
RUSSELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. J. R. No. 17, Proposing to amend Section 1, Article 9, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to taxation,

And find the same correctly engrossed.
RUSSELL, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

H. B. No. 11, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1874 and Article 1875, Chapter 6, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to citations by publication against a defendant who is a non-resident of the State, or who is absent from the State, or who is a transient person, or whose residence is unknown or who is the unknown heir of a deceased person,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
RUSSELL, Chairman.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

(Wednesday, January 24, 1917.)

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Bagby.	Fly.
Baker.	Greenwood.
Beard of Harris.	Haidusek.
Beard of Milam.	Hardey.
Beason.	Harris.
Bedell.	Hartman.
Bell.	Hawkins.
Bertram.	Hill.
Blackburn.	Holland.
Blackmon.	Hudspeth.
Blalock.	Johnson.
Bland.	Jones.
Bledsoe.	Laas.
Boner.	Lacey.
Brown.	Laney.
Bryan.	Lange.
Bryant.	Lanier.
Burton of Rusk.	Lee.
Burton of Tarrant.	Lindemann.
Butler.	Lowe
Cadenhead.	of McMullen.
Canales.	Low
Carlock.	of Washington.
Cates.	McComb.
Clark.	McCoy.
Cope.	McDowra.
Cox.	McFarland.
Crudgington.	McMillin.
Davis of Dallas.	Martin.
Davis of Grimes.	Meador.
Davis	Mendell.
of Van Zandt.	Metcalfe.
De Bogory.	Miller of Austin.
Dodd.	Miller of Dallas.
Dudley.	Monday.
Dunnam.	Moore.
Estes.	Morris.
Fairchild.	Murrell.
Fisher.	Neeley.
Fitzpatrick.	Neill.
Florer.	Nichols.

Nordhaus.	Spradley.
O'Banion.	Stewart.
O'Brien.	Strayhorn.
Osborne.	Taylor.
Parks.	Thomas.
Peddy.	Thomason
Peyton.	of El Paso.
Pillow.	Thomason
Poage.	of Nacogdoches.
Pope.	Thompson
Raiden.	of Hunt.
Reeves.	Thompson
Richards.	of Red River.
Robertson.	Tillotson.
Roemer.	Tilson.
Rogers.	Tinner.
Russell.	Traylor.
Sackett.	Tschoepe.
Sallas.	Valentine.
Sentell.	Veatch.
Schlesinger.	Wahrmund.
Schlosshan.	Walker.
Scholl.	White.
Seawright.	Williams
Sholars.	of Brazoria.
Smith of Bastrop.	Williford.
Smith of Hopkins.	Wilson.
Smith of Scurry.	Woods.
Spencer of Nolan.	Woodul.
Spencer of Wise.	

Absent.

Williams	Yantis.
of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Beasley.	Templeton.
Denton.	Terrell.
Swope.	Upchurch.

A quorum was announced present.
Prayer was offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Upchurch, for today, on motion of Mr. Spencer of Wise.

Mr. Denton, for today, on motion of Mr. Lange.

Mr. Beasley, for today, on motion of Mr. Peyton.

Mr. Templeton, for today, on motion of Mr. Thomas.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Swope, for today, on motion of Mr. Cates.

Mr. Terrell, for today, on motion of Mr. Bedell.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

S. B. No. 9, to Committee on Education.

S. B. No. 12, to Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

S. B. No. 17, to Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION ON FIRST READING.

The following House joint resolution, introduced today, was laid before the House, read first time, and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments:

By Mr. De Bogory, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Miller of Dallas, Mr. Canales, Mr. Smith of Scurry and Mr. Butler:

H. J. R. No. 31, Proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Texas by amending Article 5 thereof, pertaining to the judicial department of the State of Texas, fixing the date for the election to be held hereunder and making an appropriation to pay expenses of said election.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today, were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. Thompson of Red River:

H. B. No. 427, A bill to be entitled "An Act to allow any person or persons, who have been convicted of a misdemeanor in any court from which an appeal lies to the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas, be allowed to give an appearance bond after the adjournment of the term of court at which he or she was convicted, and be approved by the sheriff or constable."

Referred to Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure.

By Mr. Thompson of Red River:

H. B. No. 428, A bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt Red River county, Texas, from the operation of that part of Section 5 of an Act of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, Chapter 5, creating a permanent warehouse system for the State of Texas, requiring general and bonded

ginners to take three fair, true and correct samples of cotton weighing not more than five and one-third ounces each, etc., and to exempt Red River county, Texas, from the operation of all of Section 6 of Chapter 5 of an Act to create a State bonded warehouse system passed at the Third Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature requiring that bales of cotton be completely covered."

Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Lowe of McMullen:

H. B. No. 429, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Pleasanton Independent School District covering the same territory heretofore known as Common School District No. 1 in Atascosa county, Texas, and defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Thompson of Hunt:

H. B. No. 430, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 533, of Chapter 2, of Title 2, so as to prohibit disposing of money, property or other thing of value, by means of drawing of numbers, colors, guessing or estimating contests or other means or method involving the elements of chance, whether charge is made for the right to participate or not, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Fisher, Mr. Carlock and Mr. Monday:

H. B. No. 431, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6006, Chapter 1, Title 97, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, relating to the seal of office of notary public and what it shall contain; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Spencer of Nolan:

H. B. No. 432, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the limits of the Sweetwater Independent School District by adding thereto certain territory from adjoining districts, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Richards, Mr. Blalock, Mr. Spencer of Wise and Mr. McMillin:

H. B. No. 433, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the owners or oper-

ators of telephone exchanges in incorporated cities or towns having more than 2500 inhabitants adequate messenger service; prescribing the minimum of such service; providing penalties, and other remedies for violations of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. Blalock and Mr. O'Banion:

H. B. No. 434, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment, maintenance and government of a State normal college to be located in Texas east of the 96th meridian, to be known as 'Stephen F. Austin Normal,' and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Walker and Mr. Burton of Tarrant:

H. B. No. 435, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 5644, 5645 and 5646, Revised Statutes, 1911, providing for liens in favor of clerks, accountants, bookkeepers, artisans, craftsmen, factory and mill operatives, servants, mechanics, quarrymen, laborers, and farm hands, etc., so as to broaden the scope thereof so as to apply to laborers and workmen of all kinds, and so as to make such liens apply to all kinds of service and so as to make such liens apply to all kinds of property upon or with which such workmen are employed, and so as to make the wages, or other compensation of such workmen due by the day, the week or month, or immediately upon the cessation of operation, etc., or the expectation, upon probable cause, of the cessation of the operation of factories, mills, oil wells, etc.; also defining fraudulent disposition of lien property, and providing punishment therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Seawright:

H. B. No. 436, A bill to be entitled "An Act incorporating and creating the Kosse Independent School District of Limestone and Falls counties, Texas, for free school purposes only; defining its boundaries and providing for the election of a board of trustees for the raising of revenue by taxation, issuing of bonds for raising money for building purposes, and for maintaining public free school therein, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Education.

By Mr. Valentine:

H. B. No. 437, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Section 4, Chapter 150, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, as amended by Chapter 13, Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, relating to the payment of in-county witnesses in felony cases, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Thomas and Mr. Valentine:

H. B. No. 438, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make an emergency appropriation to construct and equip a fireproof dormitory, complete the administration building, and to provide summer support for the College of Industrial Arts, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. Moore:

H. B. No. 439, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 6283, 6284 and 6285 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, relating to the Commissioner of Pensions, and his duty; providing for the abolition of the office of Pension Commissioner and conferring the duties of said Pension Commissioner on the Comptroller of Public Accounts, substituting new Articles 6283, 6284 and 6285."

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Thompson of Red River (by request):

H. B. No. 440, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 11 of the Special Laws of Texas, passed by the First Called Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, approved June 4, 1915, being 'An Act incorporating and creating the Fulbright Independent School District in Red River county, Texas, for free school purposes only,' etc., and declaring an emergency."

By Mr. Poage:

H. B. No. 441, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prescribe, fix and regulate the buying, selling or optioning stocks or bonds or other commodities so as to conform with the Acts of Congress approved August 18, 1914, and known as the United States Cotton Future Act (including such amendments as may hereafter be made to said Act of Congress)."

Referred to Committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. De Bogory:

H. B. No. 442, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that Chapter 10, Title 49, Articles 3084 to 3174, inclusive, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, pertaining to nominations by primary elections and otherwise, shall not apply to the nomination of justices of the Supreme Court, justices of the Court of Criminal Appeals, justices of the Courts of Civil Appeals, district judges and county judges, and that all laws, rules and regulations pertaining to nominations of such officers by convention, in force at the time of the enactment of said Chapter 10, Title 49, Articles 3084 to 3174, inclusive, be in full force and effect."

Referred to Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections.

By Mr. Thomason of El Paso:

H. B. No. 443, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7235, Chapter 6, Title 124, of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1911, and to amend Chapter 72, House bill No. 827, General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, page 131, and to amend Chapter 99, House bill No. 418, General Laws of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, page 152, with reference to the mode of preventing horses and certain other animals from running at large in the counties named, so as to include El Paso county, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

By Mr. Morris and Mr. Seawright:

H. B. No. 444, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the Prison Commission to establish a department for the building of roads; providing that such bureau or department shall be in charge of a competent and experienced civil engineer to be employed by the Commission, and empowering the Commission to employ such other engineers, experts and employes as may be necessary, and to use convicts in the building of such public roads; authorizing the Prison Commissioners to contract with any county, subdivision of a county or any association or combination or number of counties within the State for the purpose of constructing highways and roads, said contract to be upon any basis that may be determined upon by the commission and other contracting parties, provided the road shall be such as will last as long as the period of

time for which any bonds may be issued to pay for the construction of such road or highway and that all roads so constructed must be of the first class, and unless the compensation therefor is sufficient they shall decline the contract; authorizing the Commission to acquire the latest and best equipment as well as material for road building; declaring that all funds appropriated for the Prison Commission may be used for the support and maintenance and general conduct of this department, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Penitentiaries.

By Mr. Nichols and Mr. Williford:

H. B. No. 445, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the appointment of a committee from the House and Senate to fully and carefully investigate the general civil and criminal statutes of this State on all subjects for which no like provision has been made, and shall collect from all sources, matters relating to existing evils, defects, or inefficiencies of such statutes, and shall compile and classify the same, and shall prepare proper amendments to such statutes, providing for the payment of the per diem and other expenses and to provide for the publication and distribution of its report."

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

By Mr. Nichols, Mr. Pope and Mr. Johnson:

H. B. No. 446, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring life insurance companies not chartered or organized under the laws of Texas, collecting or having collected renewal premiums on life insurance policies from the people of Texas since January 1, 1908, as doing or having been doing business in this State, and that all unpaid occupation taxes imposed by the law since that date and all penalties for not complying with the laws of the State by such companies, just debts and money obligations due the State, providing for the collection of such debts and obligations, directing the Attorney General of the State to proceed to collect the same, providing additional agencies or assistance for the Attorney General, and appropriating the sum of \$10,000 to carry out the purposes of this act, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

By Mr. Canales and Mr. Spencer of Wise:

H. B. No. 447, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to confer authority upon the Railroad Commission of Texas to regulate the granting and application of excursion rates, etc., upon the railroads in this State, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Common Carriers.

APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following employees:

Assistants to enrolling and engrossing departments: Miss Mary Moreland and Miss Myrtle Tittle.

BILL ORDERED NOT PRINTED

On motion of Mr. Hawkins, it was ordered that Senate bill No. 9 be not printed.

BILL ORDERED PRINTED.

On motion of Mr. Cates, it was ordered that House bill No. 345, reported unfavorably, be printed.

BILLS RE-REFERRED.

On motion of Mr. Low of Washington, House bill No. 141 was withdrawn from the Committee on Private Corporations and re-referred to the Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure.

On motion of Mr. Woodul, House bill No. 381 was withdrawn from the Committee on State Affairs and re-referred to the Judiciary Committee.

TO INCREASE JANITOR'S SALARY.

Mr. Estes offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Owing to the high cost of living, I move that our janitor's (J. C. Adrian) pay be increased from \$3 to \$4 per day, inclusive of time served.

Signed—Estes, Poage, Hill, Sallas, Wilson, Tschoepe, Mendell, Robertson, Smith, Morris, Cates, O'Banion.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Peddy moved to table the resolution, and the motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 140 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

S. B. No. 140, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a common county line school district, to be known as the Auburn District, to be under the jurisdiction, management and control of the county school board of Ellis county,

Texas; to be composed of the territory described in this act, and defining the rights, powers and privileges of such district, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time and was passed.

SENATE BILL NO. 40 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 40, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make appropriation to cover the cost of a fireproof brick dormitory at the Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College at Prairie View, Waller county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 146 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 146, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate Hearne Independent School District in Robertson county, Texas, for free school purposes only; defining its boundaries; divesting the city of Hearne of the control of its public free schools and of its school property, and vesting the same in said independent school district and its board of trustees; providing that all funds belonging or owing to said city schools shall inure to the benefit of said independent school district, and that all contracts made by the board of trustees of said city school shall be carried out by the board of trustees of said independent school district, but that said district shall never be liable for any indebtedness of said city; providing for a board of trustees for said district and describing the rights, powers and duties of said Hearne Independent School District, and providing for changes of lines in said district, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to

inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bills:

S. B. No. 71, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and providing for the enforcement of liens for material, machinery or supplies furnished to, or for labor performed for, owners of lands, mines or quarries, or owners of leaseholds for oil, gas, or water wells, for oil or gas pipe lines and rights of way, or for mining or quarrying purposes, and for materials, machinery, supplies or labor for the construction, maintenance, operation or repair of oil, gas, or water wells, or for oil or gas pipe lines, mines or quarries, and prohibiting the sale or removal of property subject to such liens without the consent of the lienholders, and providing a penalty therefor."

S. B. No. 75, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate titles to school land which has been purchased from the State on condition of settlement and residence in cases where purchaser made settlement thereon and filed his affidavit of settlement in the General Land Office but transferred the land before the expiration of one year from the date of award to another qualified purchaser; in cases where the purchaser settled on the land within the time required by law but failed to file in the General Land Office his affidavit of settlement within the time required by law; in cases where the purchaser failed to settle on the land within ninety days from the date of award but actually settled on the land and filed his affidavit of settlement in the General Land Office as required by law; and in cases where the purchaser has been prevented from making settlement by being called into the militia service of the State or United States, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 54, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Eighty-first Judicial District in the State of Texas, said district to be composed of the counties of Hall, Donley, Armstrong and Carson; to fix the jurisdiction of said district court in said district and the terms of court in said several counties in said district, and providing for a judge thereof and a district attorney; reorganizing the Thirty-first, Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh Judicial Districts of Texas; fixing a time of holding court in the Thirty-first, Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh Judicial Districts; to provide that all cases now on the dockets of counties of the dis-

trict courts of Hall, Donley, Armstrong and Carson counties be transferred to the dockets of the Eighty-first Judicial District created by this act; to provide that the district clerks and sheriffs elected in the counties of Hall, Donley, Armstrong and Carson, and their successors in office, be alike the officers of each of said district courts of said county; providing for the return of all process and validation of the same issued or to be issued by the courts of the Thirty-first, Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh Districts in the counties of Hall, Armstrong and Carson be returnable to district court of the Eighty-first Judicial District; to provide for the appointment of the judge of said Eighty-first Judicial District and for the appointment of the district attorney for said Eighty-first Judicial District, and fixing their compensation, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 248, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 48, General Laws of Texas, creating Willacy county, approved March 11, 1911; and to amend Section 1, Chapter 10, General Laws of Texas, creating Kleberg county, approved February 27, 1913, the purpose of this act being to change and make the boundary line between said counties conform to the result of elections duly called and held in said counties, the returns of which have been duly estimated, tabulated, certified to, sealed, endorsed and transmitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in the manner and form prescribed by law, whereby certain territory was detached from Willacy county and attached to Kleberg county, and whereby certain land, waters and territory were detached from Kleberg and attached to Willacy county; to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

The Senate has adopted the following resolutions:

H. C. R. No. 2, Designating March 2, 1917, and March 2d of each succeeding year as Sam Houston Memorial Day.

S. C. R. No. 7, Providing for the appointment of a joint committee appointed by the Senate, the House and the Governor to inspect the properties of John Tarleton College at Stephenville, Texas.

Respectfully,
JOHN D. McCALL,
Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE BILL NO. 154 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to a third reading,

S. B. No. 154, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a special road law for Llano county, Texas, and to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of public highways and bridges by the commissioners court, and the fixing of the term of office and salary, and defining his duties."

The bill was read second time and was passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 154 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Martin moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that Senate bill No. 154 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—120.

Bagby.	Fisher.
Baker.	Fitzpatrick.
Beard of Harris.	Florer.
Beard of Milam.	Fly.
Beason.	Greenwood.
Bedell.	Haidusek.
Bell.	Harris.
Bertram.	Hartman.
Blackburn.	Hawkins.
Blackmon.	Hill.
Blalock.	Holland.
Bland.	Hudspeth.
Bledsoe.	Johnson.
Boner.	Jones.
Brown.	Laas.
Bryan.	Lacey.
Bryant.	Laney.
Burton of Rusk.	Lange.
Burton of Tarrant.	Lanier.
Butler.	Lee.
Cadenhead.	Lindemann.
Canales.	Lowe
Carlock.	of McMullen.
Cates.	Low
Clark.	of Washington.
Cope.	McComb.
Cox.	McCoy.
Crudginton.	McDowra.
Davis of Dallas.	McMillin.
Davis of Grimes.	Martin.
Davis	Meador.
of Van Zandt.	Mendell.
De Bogory.	Metcalfe.
Dodd.	Miller of Austin.
Dudley.	Miller of Dallas.
Estes.	Monday.
Fairchild.	Moore.

Morris.	Smith of Scurry.	Cox.	Osborne.
Murrell.	Spencer of Nolan.	Crudgington.	Parks.
Neeley.	Spencer of Wise.	Davis of Grimes.	Peddy.
Neill.	Spradley.	Davis	Peyton.
Nichols.	Stewart.	of Van Zandt.	Pillow.
Nordhaus.	Taylor.	De Bogory.	Pope.
O'Banion.	Thomas.	Dodd.	Raiden.
O'Brien.	Thomason.	Dudley.	Reeves.
Osborne.	of El Paso.	Dunnam.	Richards.
Parks.	Thomason	Estes.	Robertson.
Peddy.	of Nacogdoches.	Fairchild.	Roemer.
Peyton.	Thompson	Fisher.	Rogers.
Pillow.	of Hunt.	Fitzpatrick.	Russell.
Poage.	Thompson	Florer.	Sackett.
Pope.	of Red River.	Fly.	Sallas.
Raiden.	Tillotson.	Greenwood.	Sentell.
Reeves.	Tilson.	Haidusek.	Schlesinger.
Richards.	Tinner.	Hardey.	Schlosshan.
Robertson.	Trayler.	Harris.	Scholl.
Roemer.	Tschoepe.	Hartman.	Seawright.
Rogers.	Valentine.	Hawkins.	Sholars.
Russell.	Veatch.	Holland.	Smith of Bastrop.
Sackett.	Wahrmund.	Hudspeth.	Smith of Hopkins.
Sallas.	Walker.	Johnson.	Smith of Scurry.
Sentell.	White.	Jones.	Spencer of Nolan.
Schlesinger.	Williams	Laas.	Spencer of Wise.
Schlosshan.	of Brazoria.	Lacey.	Spradley.
Scholl.	Williford.	Laney.	Stewart.
Seawright.	Wilson.	Lange.	Strayhorn.
Sholars.	Woods.	Lanier.	Taylor.
Smith of Bastrop.	Woodul.	Lee.	Thomas.
Smith of Hopkins.		Lindemann.	Thomason
		Lowe	of El Paso.
	Absent.	of McMullen.	Thomason
Denton.	McFarland.	Low	of Nacogdoches.
Dunnam.	Swope.	of Washington.	Thompson
		McComb.	of Hunt.
	Absent—Excused.	McCoy.	Thompson
Beasley.	Upchurch.	McDowra.	of Red River.
Hardey.	Williams	McFarland.	Tillotson.
Strayhorn.	of McLennan.	McMillin.	Tilson.
Templeton.	Yantis.	Martin.	Tinner.
Terrell.		Meador.	Trayler.
		Mendell.	Tschoepe.
		Metcalfe.	Valentine.
		Miller of Austin.	Veatch.
		Miller of Dallas.	Wahrmund.
		Monday.	Walker.
		Moore.	White.
		Morris.	Williams
		Murrell.	of Brazoria.
		Neeley.	Williford.
		Neill.	Wilson.
		Nichols.	Woods.
		O'Banion.	Woodul.
		O'Brien	
			Absent.
		Bland.	Nordhaus.
		Burton of Tarrant.	Poage.
		Davis of Dallas.	Williams
		Hill.	of McLennan.
			Absent—Excused.
		Beasley.	Terrell.
		Denton.	Upchurch.
		Swope.	Yantis.
		Templeton.	

The Speaker then laid Senate bill No. 154 before the House, on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—127.

Bagby.	Boner.
Baker.	Brown.
Beard of Harris.	Bryan.
Beard of Milam.	Bryant.
Beason.	Burton of Rusk.
Bedell.	Butler.
Bell.	Cadenhead.
Bertram.	Canales.
Blackburn.	Carlock.
Blackmon.	Cates.
Blalock.	Clark.
Bledsoe.	Cope.

HOUSE BILL NO. 11 ON THIRD
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 11, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1874 and Article 1875, Chapter 6, Title 37, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to citations by publication against a defendant who is a non-resident of the State, or who is absent from the State, or who is a transient person, or whose residence is unknown, or who is the unknown heir of a deceased person."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Williams of Brazoria offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend caption of House bill No. 11 by adding "or unknown stockholders of a defunct corporation" in line 11 following the word "person."

The amendment was adopted.

House bill No. 11 was then passed.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17
ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. J. R. No. 17, Proposing to amend Section 1, Article 9, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to taxation.

The resolution was read third time.

On motion of Mr. Woods of Navarro, further consideration of the resolution was postponed until next Friday, February 2.

HOUSE BILL NO. 4 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 4, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining 'mooching,' as knowingly soliciting any money or other thing of value from any other person who is a candidate for nomination or election in any primary or general election to any public office in this State, as fixed by law, and within six months prior to such primary or election, for any barbecue, picnic, dance, ball or for any treat or treats, or for any public political gathering, making same unlawful; and defining 'boosting,' as knowingly soliciting any money or other thing of value from any other person, who is a candidate for nomination or election in any primary or general election, fixed by law, to any public office in this State, within six months prior

to such primary or election, under the promise, pretense or indication to vote for such candidate or to in any way use his influence for such candidate in such primary or election, declaring same to be unlawful and deemed to be a misdemeanor, and prescribing punishment therefor; and making certain exceptions; and providing that all peace officers shall strictly enforce this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Canales offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend by striking out the enacting clause.

Mr. Spradley moved the previous question on the amendment and the passage of the bill to engrossment, and the motion was not seconded.

(Mr. Miller of Dallas in the chair.)

Mr. Blalock moved the previous question on the amendment and the passage of the bill to engrossment, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the amendment by Mr. Canales, striking out the enacting clause of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Bagby.	Neill.
Bell.	Peyton.
Bertram.	Raiden.
Blackburn.	Smith of Hopkins.
Canales.	Spradley.
Davis of Dallas.	Thomas.
Dunnam.	Thomason
Greenwood.	of El Paso.
Haidusek.	Thompson
Lacey.	of Hunt.
Lanier.	Thompson
Martin.	of Red River.
Morris.	

Nays—109.

Baker.	Cates.
Beard of Harris.	Clark.
Beard of Milam.	Cope.
Beason.	Cox.
Bedell.	Crudgington.
Blackmon.	Davis of Grimes.
Blalock.	Davis
Bland.	of Van Zandt.
Bledsoe.	De Bogory.
Boner.	Dodd.
Brown.	Dudley.
Bryan.	Estes.
Bryant.	Fairchild.
Burton of Rusk.	Fisher.
Burton of Tarrant.	Fitzpatrick.
Butler.	Florer.
Cadenhead.	Fly.
Carlock.	Hardey.

Harris.	Reeves.
Hartman.	Richards.
Hawkins.	Robertson.
Hill.	Rogers.
Holland.	Russell.
Hudspeth.	Sackett.
Johnson.	Sallas.
Jones.	Sentell.
Laas.	Schlesinger.
Laney.	Schlosshan.
Lange.	Scholl.
Lee.	Seawright.
Lindemann.	Sholars.
Lowe	Smith of Bastrop.
of McMullen.	Smith of Scurry.
McComb.	Spencer of Nolan.
McCoy.	Spencer of Wise.
McDowra.	Stewart.
McFarland.	Strayhorn.
McMillin.	Taylor.
Meador.	Thomason
Mendell.	of Nacogdoches.
Metcalf.	Tillotson.
Miller of Austin.	Tilson.
Miller of Dallas.	Tinner.
Monday.	Trayler.
Moore.	Tschoepe.
Murrell.	Valentine.
Neeley.	Veatch.
Nichols.	Wahrmund.
Nordhaus.	Walker.
O'Banion.	White.
O'Brien.	Williams
Osborne.	of Brazoria.
Parks.	Williford.
Peddy.	Wilson.
Pillow.	Woods.
Poage.	Woodul.
Pope.	

Present—Not Voting.

Low
of Washington.

Absent.

Roemer.

Absent—Excused.

Beasley.

Upchurch.

Denton.

Williams

Swope.

of McLennan.

Templeton.

Yantis.

Terrell.

Reasons for Votes.

I vote "nay" in striking out the enacting clause for the reason that the proponents of the measure say that it will correct an evil existing in some counties. It does not affect Wise county.

SPENCER of Wise.

This bill seeks to correct an evil which does not exist in my county so far as my experience as a candidate goes. "Mooching" is a new word to me, and I vote for this bill to relieve those sec-

tions of the State which are harassed by this class of undesirable citizens. No man has ever made an improper approach to me in Collin county during my campaigns.

ROGERS.

Reason for opposing House bill No. 4 by Mr. Holland, relating to "mooching": It reflects on the honor of the people as well as on the intelligence of candidates and because it applies to those who solicit money for churches, schools and other institutions, and because the candidate should have the right to decide whether or not the individual seeking the donation and the thing for which the donation is asked is worthy.

DUNNAM.

House bill No. 4 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. J. R. No. 9, Proposing to amend Section 2 of Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Texas so as to authorize females to vote, and providing that the Governor shall submit the same to the qualified voters of Texas at the election to be held on the first Tuesday in November, 1918, and appropriating five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

The resolution was read second time.

Question—Shall the resolution be passed to engrossment?

Mr. Baker of Hood moved to postpone further consideration of the resolution until 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, February 6.

The motion to postpone prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 16 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 16, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting manufacture or sale of road vehicles of certain carrying capacity with tires of less than the prescribed width within the State of Texas, fixing penalties for the violation thereof; providing the time at which such act shall take effect, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 28 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 28, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1164 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas as amended by Chapter 102 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, found at page 156 of the printed session acts, relating to the employment or use of the stock, means, assets and other property of corporations, and declaring for what purposes the same may be used; penalizing the officers or agents or employees of such corporations or other organizations who wrongfully use the moneys, means or assets contributed thereto, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Rogers offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 28 by striking out the enacting clause.

Signed—Rogers, Spencer, Beard of Harris, Crudgington.

The amendment was lost.

House bill No. 28 was then passed to engrossment.

Mr. Beard of Harris moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment.

Mr. Fisher moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion to table prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—68.

Bagby.	Florer.
Beard of Milam.	Fly.
Beason.	Greenwood.
Bedell.	Haidusek.
Bell.	Hardey.
Blackburn.	Hartman.
Blackmon.	Holland.
Bland.	Jones.
Bledsoe.	Laas.
Brown.	Lacey.
Bryan.	Laney.
Burton of Tarrant.	Lanier.
Butler.	Lowe
Canales.	of McMullen.
Carlock.	Low
Cates.	of Washington.
Clark.	McComb.
Davis	McFarland.
of Van Zandt.	Martin.
De Bogory.	Mendell.
Dudley.	Metcalfe.
Fairchild.	Miller of Austin.
Fisher.	Miller of Dallas.

Monday.	Sholars.
Murrell.	Smith of Hopkins.
Nordhaus.	Smith of Scurry.
Osborne.	Spradley.
Parks.	Taylor.
Pillow.	Thomason
Richards.	of El Paso.
Russell.	Tillotson.
Sackett.	Valentine.
Schlesinger.	Wahrmund.
Schlosshan.	White.
Scholl.	Wilson.
Seawright.	Woodul.

Nays—60.

Baker.	O'Brien.
Beard of Harris.	Peddy.
Bertram.	Peyton.
Blalock.	Poage.
Boner.	Raiden.
Burton of Rusk.	Reeves.
Cadenhead.	Roemer.
Cope.	Rogers.
Cox.	Sallas.
Crudgington.	Sentell.
Davis of Dallas.	Smith of Bastrop.
Dodd.	Spencer of Nolan.
Dunnam.	Spencer of Wise.
Estes.	Stewart.
Fitzpatrick.	Strayhorn.
Harris.	Thomas.
Hawkins.	Thomason
Hill.	of Nacogdoches.
Hudspeth.	Thompson
Johnson.	of Hunt.
Lange.	Thompson
Lee.	of Red River.
Lindemann.	Tilson.
McDowra.	Tinner.
McMillin.	Trayler.
Meador.	Tschoepe.
Moore.	Veatch.
Morris.	Walker.
Neeley.	Williams
Neill.	of Brazoria.
Nichols.	Williford.
O'Banion.	Woods.

Present—Not Voting.

McCoy.

Absent.

Bryant.	Robertson.
Davis of Grimes.	Williams
Pope.	of McLennan.

Absent—Excused.

Beasley.	Terrell.
Denton.	Upchurch.
Swope.	Yantis.
Templeton.	

ADDRESS BY HON. DANIEL E.
GARRETT.

Mr. Fisher offered the following privileged resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. Daniel E. Garrett, Congressman-at-Large from the State of Texas, is in the building; and he being one of the distinguished citizens of the State; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, through its Speaker, extend to him an invitation to address the House.

Signed—Fisher, Holland, Beard of Harris.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

The Speaker then appointed Messrs. Fisher, Cope and Parks to escort Mr. Garrett to the Speaker's stand.

The committee having performed their duty, Mr. Garrett was presented to the House by Mr. Miller of Dallas, who was in the chair.

Mr. Garrett then addressed the House.

(Speaker in the chair.)

HOUSE BILL NO. 163 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage,

H. B. No. 163, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing Freeport Independent School District, in Brazoria county, Texas, defining and describing it by metes and bounds, providing for election of trustees therefor, providing for it to assume the outstanding indebtedness of Common School District No. 35 in said county, vesting in it the title to all school property of said Common School District No. 35, providing for the government thereof as under the general laws applicable to towns and villages incorporated for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—118.

Bagby.	Boner.
Baker.	Brown.
Beard of Harris.	Bryan.
Beard of Milam.	Bryant.
Beason.	Burton of Rusk.
Bedell.	Butler.
Bertram.	Cadenhead.
Blackburn.	Canales.
Blackmon.	Carlock.
Blalock.	Cates.
Bland.	Cope.
Bledsoe.	Cox.

Crudgington.	Parks.
Davis of Dallas.	Peddy.
Davis of Grimes.	Peyton.
Davis	Pillow.
of Van Zandt.	Poage.
De Bogory.	Pope.
Dodd.	Raiden.
Dudley.	Reeves.
Dunnam.	Richards.
Estes.	Roemer.
Fairchild.	Rogers.
Fisher.	Russell.
Fitzpatrick.	Sackett.
Florer.	Sallas.
Fly.	Sentell.
Greenwood.	Schlesinger.
Haidusek.	Schlosshan.
Harris.	Scholl.
Hartman.	Seawright.
Hawkins.	Sholars.
Holland.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hudspeth.	Smith of Hopkins.
Johnson.	Smith of Scurry.
Jones.	Spencer of Nolan.
Laas.	Spencer of Wise.
Laney.	Stewart.
Lange.	Taylor.
Lanier.	Thomas.
Lindemann.	Thomason
Lowe	of El Paso.
of McMullen.	Thomason
McComb.	of Nacogdoches.
McCoy.	Thompson
McDowra.	of Hunt.
McMillin.	Thompson
Meador.	of Red River.
Mendell.	Tillotson.
Metcalf.	Tinner.
Miller of Austin.	Traylor.
Miller of Dallas.	Tschoepe.
Monday.	Valentine.
Moore.	Wahrmund.
Morris.	Walker.
Murrell.	White.
Neeley.	Williams
Neill.	of Brazoria.
Nichols.	Williford.
Nordhaus.	Wilson.
O'Banion.	Woods.
O'Brien.	Woodul.
Osborne.	

Absent.

Bell.	McFarland.
Burton of Tarrant.	Martin.
Clark.	Robertson.
Hardey.	Spradley.
Hill.	Strayhorn.
Lacey.	Tilson.
Lee.	Veatch.
Low	
of Washington.	

Absent—Excused.

Beasley.	Williams
Denton.	of McLennan.
Swope.	Templeton.

Terrell.
Yantis.

Upchurch.

HOUSE BILL NO. 269 ON THIRD READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, H. B. No. 269, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Odem Independent School District, known as Common School District No. 7, in San Patricio county, Texas, including within its limits the town of Odem, etc."

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Russell offered the following amendments to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 269 by adding at the end of the caption the following words: "and declaring an emergency."

Amend House bill No. 269 by adding another section to read as follows:

"Sec. 31. The fact that the present Odem School District is not so organized as to meet the large and growing demands of the public school interests in said district, and the necessity for the immediate passage of this bill, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity demanding the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, and said rule is hereby suspended, and this bill is placed upon its third reading and final passage, and except as herein otherwise provided shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

The amendment was adopted.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—110.

Bagby.	Cox.
Baker.	Crudgington.
Beard of Milam.	Davis of Dallas.
Beason.	Davis of Grimes.
Bedell.	Davis
Bell.	of Van Zandt.
Bertram.	De Bogory.
Blackmon.	Dodd.
Blalock.	Dudley.
Bledsoe.	Dunnam.
Boner.	Estes.
Brown.	Fairchild.
Bryan.	Fisher.
Burton of Rusk.	Fitzpatrick.
Butler.	Florer.
Cadenhead.	Fly.
Carlock.	Greenwood.
Cates.	Haidusek.
Cope.	Harris.

Hartman.	Richards.
Hawkins.	Roemer.
Hudspeth.	Rogers.
Johnson.	Russell.
Laas.	Sackett.
Laney.	Sallas.
Lange.	Schlesinger.
Lanier.	Schlosshan.
Lee.	Scholl.
Lindemann.	Seawright.
Lowe	Smith of Bastrop.
of McMullen.	Smith of Hopkins.
Low	Smith of Scurry.
of Washington.	Spencer of Nolan.
McCoy.	Spencer of Wise.
McDowra.	Stewart.
McFarland.	Taylor.
McMillin.	Thomas.
Meador.	Thomason
Mendell.	of El Paso.
Metcalfe.	Thomason
Miller of Austin.	of Nacogdoches.
Miller of Dallas.	Thompson
Moore.	of Hunt.
Morris.	Thompson
Murrell.	of Red River.
Neeley.	Tillotson.
Neill.	Tinner.
Nichols.	Trayler.
Nordhaus.	Tschoepe.
O'Banion.	Valentine.
O'Brien.	Veatch.
Osborne.	Walker.
Peddy.	White.
Peyton.	Williams
Pillow.	of Brazoria.
Poage.	Williford.
Pope.	Wilson.
Raiden.	Woods.
Reeves.	Woodul.

Present—Not Voting.

Monday.

Absent.

Beard of Harris.	McComb.
Blackburn.	Martin.
Bland.	Parks.
Bryant.	Robertson.
Burton of Tarrant.	Sentell.
Canales.	Sholars.
Clark.	Spradley.
Hardey.	Strayhorn.
Hill.	Tilson.
Holland.	Wahrmund.
Jones.	Williams
Lacey.	of McLennan.

Absent—Excused.

Beasley.	Terrell.
Denton.	Upchurch.
Swope.	Yantis.
Templeton.	

Mr. Nordhaus moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow, and the motion was lost.

HOUSE BILL NO. 292 ON THIRD
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, H. B. No. 292, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing Brazoria Independent School District in Brazoria county, Texas, defining and describing it by metes and bounds, providing for election of trustees therefor, providing for it to assume the outstanding indebtedness of Common School District No. 21 in said county, vesting in it the title to all school property of said Common School District No. 21, providing for the government thereof as under the general law applicable to towns and villages incorporated for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read third time.

Question—Shall the bill be passed?

The Clerk was directed to call the roll, and the bill was passed by the following vote:

Yeas—112.

Mr. Speaker.	Fly.
Bagby.	Greenwood.
Baker.	Haidusek.
Beard of Milam.	Harris.
Beason.	Hartman.
Bedell.	Hawkins.
Bertram.	Holland.
Blackmon.	Hudspeth.
Blalock.	Johnson.
Bland.	Laas.
Bledsoe.	Laney.
Boner.	Lange.
Brown.	Lanier.
Bryan.	Lee.
Burton of Rusk.	Lindemann.
Butler.	Lowe.
Cadenhead.	of McMullen.
Canales.	Low.
Carlock.	of Washington.
Cates.	McComb.
Clark.	McCoy.
Cope.	McDowra.
Cox.	McMillin.
Crudgington.	Meador.
Davis of Dallas.	Metcalfe.
Davis of Grimes.	Miller of Austin.
Davis.	Monday.
of Van Zandt.	Moore.
De Bogory.	Morris.
Dodd.	Murrell.
Dudley.	Neeley.
Dunnam.	Neill.
Estes.	Nichols.
Fairchild.	Nordhaus.
Fisher.	O'Banion.
Fitzpatrick.	O'Brien.
Florer.	Osborne.

Parks.	Thomas.
Peddy.	Thomason
Peyton.	of El Paso.
Pillow.	Thomason
Pope.	of Nacogdoches.
Raiden.	Thompson
Reeves.	of Hunt.
Richards.	Thompson
Roemer.	of Red River.
Rogers.	Tillotson.
Russell.	Tinner.
Sackett.	Trayler.
Sallas.	Tschoepe.
Schlesinger.	Valentine.
Schlosshan.	Veatch.
Scholl.	Walker.
Seawright.	White.
Smith of Bastrop.	Williams
Smith of Hopkins.	of Brazoria.
Smith of Scurry.	Williford.
Spencer of Nolan.	Wilson.
Spencer of Wise.	Woods.
Stewart.	Woodul.
Taylor.	

Present—Not Voting.

Miller of Dallas.

Absent.

Beard of Harris.	Mendell.
Bell.	Poage.
Blackburn.	Robertson.
Bryant.	Sentell.
Burton of Tarrant.	Sholars.
Hardey.	Spradley.
Hill.	Strayhorn.
Jones.	Tilson.
Lacey.	Wahrmond.
McFarland.	Williams
Martin.	of McLennan.

Absent—Excused.

Beasley.	Terrell.
Denton.	Upchurch.
Swope.	Yantis.
Templeton.	

HOUSE BILL NO. 57 ON SECOND
READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 57, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 60 of the Acts of the Thirty-third Legislature, passed at its Regular Session and approved March 20, 1913, providing for a special road law for Hunt county, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 230 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 230, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate Common County Line School District No. 14, lying in Comanche and Eastland counties, under the control of Comanche county, and to validate the consolidation of what was heretofore Common School District No. 14 of Comanche county with Common County Line School District No. 67, lying in Comanche and Eastland counties, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 358 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 358, A bill to be entitled "An Act to establish the Pampa Independent School District with certain boundaries, including the town of Pampa, Gray county, Texas, with all the powers and privileges of independent school districts, to manage and control the public schools of the same, to elect trustees therefor, to levy and collect taxes for the maintenance of said schools, to issue bonds, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 271 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 271, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Hopkins county; making the county commissioners of said county road commissioners and prescribing the duties as such, etc.; providing for overseers or road keepers, etc., providing for the employment of county convicts and their compensation; providing for the employing of delinquent poll taxpayers and a penalty for their failure to work on county roads of Hopkins county; providing that this act shall take the place of and repeal all other special road tax laws heretofore passed for the benefit of Hopkins county public roads, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 299 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 299, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Sinton Independent School District, known as Common School District No. 1, in San Patricio county, Texas, and including within its limits the municipal corporation of the town of Sinton; defining its boundaries, and to provide for the creating of a board of trustees thereof and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers, and providing authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to levy a tax therefor, and to pay current expenses for the maintenance and support of said schools; providing for a board of equalization and prescribing the duty and authority of said board, and further prescribing the duty and authority of the board of trustees; declaring valid an issue of bonds heretofore made; declaring valid a maintenance tax heretofore voted, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith in so far as they conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 240 ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. Monday, by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended, to take up and have placed on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 240, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Eighty-first Judicial District of Texas, to be composed of Falls county; prescribing the jurisdiction and fixing the times for holding court and empaneling grand juries in said district; providing for the completion by the judge of the Fifty-fourth Judicial District of such term of court as may be in session in said county as a part of said Fifty-fourth Judicial District at the time this act takes effect; providing for the appointment and tenure and fixing salary of a judge for said Eighty-first Judicial District; providing for the appointment of an official court

reporter therefor; providing for the present district clerk of Falls county to be the clerk of the said Eighty-first District and continue to hold office for the term for which he was elected; providing for the trial and disposition by said Eighty-first district court of all business pending in said district court of Falls county at the time this act shall take effect, and for the return of all writs and process to and cognizance of all bonds and recognizances by said district court of Falls county as constituting the Eighty-first Judicial District, which shall have been issued, entered into or filed in connection with any business of said Falls county district court prior to the taking effect of this act; repealing that part of Section 3 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws enacted by the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature which constituted Falls county a part of the Fifty-fourth Judicial District, and that part of Section 8 of said act wherein it provides for the holding of court in Falls county as a part of said Fifty-fourth Judicial District, as well as repealing all other laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Fitzpatrick offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

Amend House bill No. 240 by striking out all after the enacting clause and substituting the following:

"Section 1. That the Eighty-second Judicial District of Texas is hereby created, and shall be composed of Falls county.

"Sec. 2. That the terms of the district court of said Eighty-second Judicial District shall be held at the following times: Beginning on the first Monday in the months of January, March, May, September and November of each year, and each term may continue in session until and including the Saturday next preceding the beginning of the next succeeding term, unless the business of the term shall be sooner disposed of; provided, that in case a term of district court shall be in session in Falls county as a part of the Fifty-fourth Judicial District at the time this act takes effect the judge of the Fifty-fourth Judicial District shall continue to hold said term until such term is adjourned or expires under existing laws.

"Sec. 3. That the terms of the dis-

trict court in said Fifty-fourth Judicial District shall be held at the following times, to-wit: Beginning on the first Monday in the months of January, March, May, September and November, and each of said terms may continue in session until and including the Saturday next preceding the beginning of the next succeeding term, unless the business of the term shall be sooner disposed of; provided, that in case a term of said Fifty-fourth District Court shall be in session in McLennan county at the time this act takes effect the judge of the said Fifty-fourth Judicial District shall continue to hold said term until such term is adjourned or expires under existing laws.

"Sec. 4. Grand juries in said Eighty-second Judicial District shall be organized at the May and November terms of said court, and at such other terms as the judge of said district may determine and order. Grand juries in the Fifty-fourth Judicial District shall hereafter be empaneled at the March and September terms of court therein, and at such other terms as the judge of said district may determine and order.

"Sec. 5. The district court of the Eighty-second Judicial District shall have all such powers and jurisdictions as district courts now have or which may hereafter be conferred upon them by and under the laws and Constitution of the State of Texas, and said district court of the Eighty-second Judicial District shall have such further jurisdiction as may at any time be transferred to it from the county court of Falls county by act or acts of the Legislature.

"Sec. 6. All prosecutions, suits, actions, causes and proceedings of whatever nature, civil or criminal, filed or pending in the district court of Falls county as constituted prior to the taking effect of this act shall continue on the dockets and be tried and disposed of by the district court of said county as constituted by this act, the same as if originally filed or instituted in said court as constituting the Eighty-second District. All writs and process issued in connection with all prosecutions, suits, actions, causes and proceedings of whatever nature, civil or criminal, in the district court of Falls county prior to the taking effect of this act, shall be returnable to and effective in said court as constituted by this act,

and all bonds and recognizances filed and entered into in said district court of Falls county prior to the taking effect of this act shall be valid, continuing and cognizable in and by the district court of said county as constituting the Eighty-second Judicial District; provided, all such writs and process issued and made returnable to the June term, A. D. 1917, of the district court of Falls county, shall be returnable to the September term, A. D. 1917, of the district court of said county as constituting the Eighty-second Judicial District.

"Sec. 7. An official court reporter for said Eighty-second Judicial District shall be appointed by the judge thereof, the said official court reporter to have the qualifications, to be subject to the duties and regulations, and entitled to the same compensation as official court reporters for district courts of this State are now or may hereafter be subject to and entitled under the general laws of the State.

"Sec. 8. The Governor shall appoint a suitable person as judge of the Eighty-second Judicial District, as herein constituted, who shall hold such office until the next general election and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.

"Sec. 9. The judge of the Eighty-second Judicial District shall receive the same salary, payable by the State of Texas in the same manner, as other district judges of said State do now or shall hereafter receive, under the Constitution and laws of Texas.

"Sec. 10. That such part of Section 3, of Chapter 3, of the General Laws of 1915, enacted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature of Texas, as constitutes Falls county a part of the Fifty-fourth Judicial District, and such part of Section 8 of said Act of 1915 as provides for the holding of terms of court in Falls county as part of said Fifty-fourth Judicial District, are hereby repealed, save and except that said repeal shall not become operative in case a term of court shall be in session in Falls county at the time this act takes effect, until such term shall be adjourned sine die by the judge of said Fifty-fourth Judicial District or expires under existing laws as prescribed in Section 2 of this act. All other laws and parts of laws in conflict with or inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

"Sec. 11. The crowded condition of the dockets of the District Courts of Falls and McLennan counties, which can not be relieved or remedied otherwise than by the passage of this act, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity demanding that the constitutional rule requiring all bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

(2)

Amend House bill No. 240 by striking out all before the enacting clause and substituting the following:

"A bill to be entitled 'An Act creating the Eighty-second Judicial District of Texas, to be composed of Falls county, and rearranging the terms of the Fifty-fourth Judicial District and eliminating Falls county from said Fifty-fourth District; prescribing the time for empaneling grand juries in said Fifty-fourth District; prescribing the jurisdiction and fixing the times for holding court and empaneling grand juries in said Eighty-second District; providing for the completion by the judge of the Fifty-fourth Judicial District of such term of court as may be in session in either county of said Fifty-fourth Judicial District as now constituted at the time this act takes effect; providing for the appointment and tenure and fixing salary of a judge for said Eighty-second Judicial District; providing for the appointment of an official court reporter therefor; providing for the present district clerk of Falls county to be the clerk of the said Eighty-second District and continue to hold office for the term for which he was elected; providing for the trial and disposition by said Eighty-second district court of all business pending in said district court of Falls county at the time this act shall take effect, and for the return of all writs and process to and recognizance of all bonds and recognizances by said district court of Falls county as constituting the Eighty-second Judicial District, which shall have been issued, entered into or filed in connection with any business of said Falls county district court prior to the taking effect of this act; repealing that part of Section 3 of Chapter 3 of the General Laws enacted by the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, which constituted Falls county a part of the Fifty-fourth Judicial District, and that part of Section 8 of said act wherein it provides for the holding of

court in Falls county as a part of said Fifty-fourth Judicial District, as well as repealing all other laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

The amendments were severally adopted.

House bill No. 240 was then passed to engrossment.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate bills were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

S. B. No. 54, to Committee on Judicial Districts.

S. B. No. 71, to Committee on Mines and Mining.

S. B. No. 75, to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

TO DISPLACE SENATE BILLS ON CALENDAR.

Mr. Cope offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The House on last week set House Joint Resolution No. 1 as special order for Thursday at 10 o'clock; and

Whereas, Section 6 of Rule 18 requires that only Senate bills on their third reading and second reading can be considered on that day without the consent of the Senate; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this House request the Senate to grant it permission to take up and consider said House Joint Resolution No. 1, deferring action on Senate bills on the House calendar until said resolution is disposed of.

Signed—Cope, Butler, Fly, Crudgington.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 32 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 32, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3903, Chapter 4, Title 58, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911 of the State of Texas, and as amended by Chapter 142 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, relating to the appointment of certain officers named in Articles 3881 and 3886 of the Revised Civil Statutes, of deputies or assistants in the performance of the duties of such

officers where such assistants or deputies are necessary for the efficiency of the public service; providing for an application to be made by such officers to the county judge of the county for authority to appoint same; prescribing the issuance by the county judge of an order authorizing the appointment of such deputies or assistants; providing that the officer desiring such deputies or assistants shall make affidavit that such assistants or deputies are necessary for the efficiency of the public service; providing for the salary of the chief deputy and the other deputies or assistants; providing that the order of the county judge granting such authority shall state the number of deputies or assistants; providing that the officer requesting said deputies or assistants shall fix their compensation; providing the maximum amount allowed for deputies in counties having population of 37,500 to 100,000; providing the maximum amount allowed deputies in counties having a population in excess of 100,000; and providing that, in counties in excess of 100,000 inhabitants, district attorneys of any district or county attorney is authorized, with the consent of the county judge of said county, to appoint two assistants in addition to his regular force, which two assistants shall not be required to possess same qualifications required by law for district and county attorneys; providing amount paid said deputies; also providing for fifty-dollars per month for necessary expenses, etc."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Miller of Dallas offered the following amendments to the bill:

(1)

The fact that there is no law in this State authorizing officers of such counties to allow an increase of salary of their clerks and deputies, and in view of the fact that such clerks and deputies are now forced to work for insufficient wages, because of the increased cost of living, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity and that the rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and said rule is hereby suspended, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

(2)

Amend caption, line 27, page 1, by adding after "100,000," "as shown by the last scholastic census."

And amend bill, page 3, line 15, by adding after the words "100,000 inhabitants," "as shown by the last scholastic census."

The amendments were severally adopted.

House bill No. 32 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 34 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading and passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 34, A bill to be entitled "An Act constituting the several district judges of counties of certain population a juvenile board of such county, and prescribing the powers and duties of such board, including the appointment by it of probation officers, and providing for the payment of compensation of such officers, and allowing the said district judges an additional salary, to be paid out of the general fund of such county."

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Cox offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend Section 5 of House bill No. 34 so that it will read as follows: "Hereafter the annual salary of each of the judges of the civil and criminal courts of such county shall be \$500 (five hundred dollars) in addition to that paid the other district judges of the State. Additional \$500 (five hundred dollars) to be paid monthly out of the general funds of such counties, upon the order of the commissioners court."

The amendment was lost.

House bill No. 34 was then passed to engrossment.

Mr. Miller moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed to engrossment and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Nichols moved that the House adjourn until 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Mr. Beason moved that the House adjourn until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The motion of Mr. Nichols prevailed, and the House, accordingly, at 5:30 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

REPORTS OF JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 425; have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. De Bogory has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

BRYANT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 107, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, and that it be not printed.

BRYANT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 254, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, and that it be not printed.

BRYANT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 252, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BRYANT, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINES AND MINING.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 22, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Mines and

Mining, to whom was referred House bill No. 280, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Peyton has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

BEARD of Milam, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 398, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 414, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 412, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred House bill No. 406, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Education,

to whom was referred House bill No. 46, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Bryant has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

THOMASON of Nacogdoches, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House bill No. 166, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

PILLOW, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred House bill No. 370, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Fairchild has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

PILLOW, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred House bill No. 349, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WOODUL, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON REFORMS IN CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Reforms in

Criminal Procedure, to whom was referred House bill No. 258, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with amendments. Mr. Rogers has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

SPENCER of Wise, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Reforms in Criminal Procedure, to whom was referred House bill No. 321, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Wiliford has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

SPENCER of Wise, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE CORPORATIONS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 6, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

LOW of Washington, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 333, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Wilson has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

LOW of Washington, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Private Corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 282, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr.

Monday has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

LOW of Washington, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 22, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 28, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Boner has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

TERRELL, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON REFORMS IN CIVIL PROCEDURE.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure, to whom was referred House bill No. 288, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Spencer of Wise has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CARLOCK, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Reforms in Civil Procedure, to whom was referred House bill No. 36, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Carlock has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CARLOCK, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND TAXATION.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Revenue and Taxation, to whom was referred House bill No. 75, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to

report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Woods has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

NEILL, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Game and Fisheries, to whom was referred House bill No. 92, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BAKER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Game and Fisheries, to whom was referred House bill No. 223, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BAKER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Game and Fisheries, to whom was referred House bill No. 45, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BAKER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Game and Fisheries, to whom was referred House bill No. 376, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Metcalfe has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

BAKER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Game and

Fisheries, to whom was referred House bill No. 260, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendments. Mr. Metcalfe has been appointed to make a full report therein. Mr. Schlesinger gives notice of minority report.

BAKER, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON COMMON CARRIERS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Common Carriers, to whom was referred House bill No. 384, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WILLIAMS of Brazoria, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Common Carriers, to whom was referred House bill No. 298, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WILLIAMS of Brazoria, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Common Carriers, to whom was referred House bill No. 359, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass. Mr. Smith of Bastrop gave notice of a minority report.

WILLIAMS of Brazoria, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Common Carriers, to whom was referred House bill No. 173, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass with amend-

ments. Mr. Hudspeth has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

WILLIAMS of Brazoria, Chairman.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES, SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 117, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Burton of Rusk has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CLARK, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 197, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Thompson of Hunt has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

Messrs. Wahrmond and Brown give notice of minority report.

CLARK, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges, Suffrage and Elections, to whom was referred House bill No. 152, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Swope has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

CLARK, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JURISPRUDENCE.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, to whom was referred House bill No. 14, have had the same under consideration and I am instruct-

ed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

FISHER, Vice-Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House bill No. 303, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. Mr. Dodd has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

PEYTON, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL DISTRICTS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1917.

Hon. F. O. Fuller, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred House bill No. 130, have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with amendments. Mr. Jones has been appointed to make a full report thereon.

TEMPLETON, Chairman.

FOURTEENTH DAY.

(Thursday, January 25, 1917.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment.

(Speaker Fuller in the chair.)

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Bagby.	Butler.
Baker.	Cadenhead.
Beard of Harris.	Canales.
Beard of Milam.	Carlock.
Beason.	Cates.
Bedell.	Clark.
Bell.	Cope.
Bertram.	Cox.
Blackburn.	Crudgington.
Blackmon.	Davis of Dallas.
Blalock.	Davis of Grimes.
Bland.	Davis
Bledsoe.	of Van Zandt.
Boner.	De Bogory.
Brown.	Denton.
Bryan.	Dodd.
Bryant.	Dudley.
Burton of Rusk.	Dunnam.
Burton of Tarrant.	Estes.